

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4, 6-11, 14-20, 22, 24-31, 34-41 and 43-49 are pending in the application.

Claims 20, 22 and 24-29 are allowed.

Claims 1, 4, 6-11, 14-19, 30, 31 and 34-49 stand rejected.

Claims 1, 30 and 40 have been amended.

Rejection of Claims under 35 U.S.C. §101

Claims 30-31 and 34-49 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicant has amended claim 30 to address the Examiner's concerns with regard to claims 30-31 and 34-39. Applicant has amended claim 40 to address the Examiner's concerns with regard to claims 40-49. Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection is overcome thereby.

Rejection of Claims under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 1, 4, 6-11, 14-19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description. Applicant has amended claim 1 to address the Examiner's concerns. Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection is overcome thereby.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 512-439-5084.

If any extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) are required in order for this submission to be considered timely, Applicant hereby petitions for such extensions. Applicant also hereby authorizes that any fees due for such extensions or any other fee associated with this submission, as specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17, be charged to deposit account 502306.

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